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For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR COMMUNICATING SIGNALING SYSTEM 7 (SS7) USER PART MESSAGES AMONG SS7 SIGNALING POINTS (SPs) AND INTERNET PROTOCOL (IP) NODES USING SIGNAL TRANSFER POINTS (STPs)

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, applicants' undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the following references. Copies of the references as well as Form PTO/SB/08A are attached hereto. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

U.S. Patent No. 5,384,840 to Blatchford et al. discloses a telecommunications system SS7 signaling interface with signal transfer capability.

U.S. Patent No. 5,889,954 to Gessel et al. discloses a network manager providing advanced interconnection capability.

U.S. Patent No. 5,974,052 to Johnson et al. discloses a frame relay access device and method for transporting SS7 information between signaling points.

U.S. Patent No. 6,014,379 to White et al. discloses telecommunication customer calling services.

Early passage of the subject application to issue is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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